



**CITY OF LODI  
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

**AGENDA TITLE:** Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of 14 Mobile Data Computers from Data911, of Alameda, and Emergency Vehicle Solutions, of Menlo Park (\$94,397), and Appropriate Funds

**MEETING DATE:** March 21, 2007

**PREPARED BY:** Jerry J. Adams, Chief of Police

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt resolution authorizing the purchase and installation of 14 Mobile Data Computers (MDC) from Data911, of Alameda, in the amount of \$87,956.11, and Emergency Vehicle Solutions, of Menlo Park, in the amount of \$6,440.00, and appropriate funds in the amount of \$94,397.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The Lodi Police Department has a fleet of 24 patrol vehicles. Over the course of the last three years, we have upgraded a portion of the MDCs in the fleet with Council approval. We currently have 14 MDCs that are seven years old and need to be replaced as this hardware has become outdated and unreliable. The benefit of replacing the MDCs is that we will be able to accept free software upgrades from our vendor (Data911) that we have been unable to receive because our current hardware is slow and does not have enough storage to support the new software.

A result of having outdated software is the Police Department is now out of compliance with the Department of Justice in regard to second party checks in the Wanted Person System and Domestic Violence Restraining Order System. Additionally, the Police Department is currently unable to completely utilize new technology recently acquired, free of charge, by San Joaquin County that would allow officers instant suspect identification from their patrol vehicles via mobile fingerprint scanners.

The use of MDCs greatly assists patrol officers in the identification of stolen vehicles by allowing them instant access to the Department of Justice Stolen Vehicle System. Often times, suspects that are stopped cannot be easily identified by traditional means. The mobile fingerprint scanners would be attached to the MDCs and suspects would be identified at the scene, preventing suspects from being released. This acquisition would completely upgrade our MDC hardware in all of our patrol cars and allow us to immediately accept the overdue software upgrade from Data911. We will also regain compliance with the Department of Justice and we will be able to fully utilize the mobile fingerprint scanners.

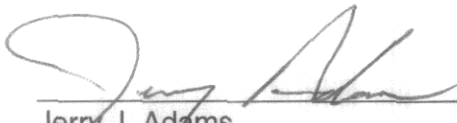
There will be no additional cost for the software upgrade from Data911. The police department has utilized Data911 for the past ten years for the purchase of our MDCs, Computer Aided Dispatch, Records Management System, and Report Writer and we have used Emergency Vehicle Solutions for the removal and installation of the MDCs for the past two years.

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**APPROVED:**   
Blair King, City Manager

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding for the replacement of these MDCs will be through the Police Department grant funds and, therefore, no fiscal impact will be realized to the general fund or the Police Department's operating budget.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** \$45,500 from State COPS Grant (Account 2351001)  
\$48,896.11 from Vehicle Theft Fund (Account 2311.5693)

  
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Kirk Evans, Budget Manager  
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Jerry J. Adams  
Chief of Police

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Cc: City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-43

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL APPROVING  
THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF 14 MOBILE DATA  
DIGITAL COMPUTERS FOR PATROL CARS AND  
FURTHER APPROPRIATING FUNDS

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WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code §3.20.070 authorizes dispensing with bids for purchases of supplies, services, or equipment when it is in the best interest of the City to do so; and

WHEREAS, the Lodi Police Department is currently using several outdated and unreliable mobile digital computers that are nearly seven years old; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has been unable to accept software upgrades from its vendor, Data 911, because current hardware is slow and does not contain enough storage to support the new software; and

WHEREAS, due to the outdated software, the Police Department is now out of compliance with the Department of Justice in regard to second party checks in the Wanted Person System and Domestic Violence Restraining Order System; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Police Department is unable to completely utilize new technology recently acquired, free of charge, by the San Joaquin County that allows officers instant suspect identification from their patrol vehicles via mobile fingerprint scanners; and

WHEREAS, the use of mobile digital computers assists patrol officers in the identification of stolen vehicles by allowing them instant access to the Department of Justice Stolen Vehicle System. The mobile fingerprint scanners would be attached to the computers and suspects would be identified at the scene, preventing suspects from possibly being released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council hereby approves the purchase and installation of 14 mobile data computers for patrol vehicles from Data 911, of Alameda, in the amount of \$87,956.11, and Emergency Vehicle Solutions, of Menlo Park, in the amount of \$6,440.00; and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that funds in the total amount of \$94,397 be appropriated from the 1) State COPS Grant (\$45,500) and 2) Vehicle Theft Fund (\$48,896.11) for this purchase and installation.

Dated: March 21, 2007

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2007-43 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held March 21, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hansen, Hitchcock, Katzakian, Mounce, and Mayor Johnson

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

  
RANDI JOHL  
City Clerk